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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 17, 2008, the Applicant respectfully submits the following amendments and remarks. A Petition for Extension of Time is filed concurrently herewith.

**Amendment to the Claims** is reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on Page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on Page 8 of this paper.